

Applicant or Patentee: Mitch Chance  
Serial No. or Patent No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Filed or Issued: \_\_\_\_\_  
For: HYDRAULIC VEHICLE LIFT

**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY  
STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) AND 1.27(b)) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.97(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled HYDRAULIC VEHICLE LIFT described in:

☒ the specification filed herewith  
☐ application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Patent No. \_\_\_\_\_, issued \_\_\_\_\_

I have not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights in the invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern or organization to which I have assigned, grant, conveyed or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license any rights in the invention is listed below:

☐ no such person, concern or organization  
☒ persons, concerns or organization listed below\*

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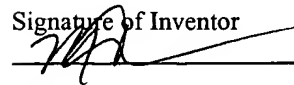
FULL NAME: IGS, INC., d/b/a LIFTS UNLIMITED  
ADDRESS 610-A E. Battlefield, PMB 205, Springfield, MO 65807  
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

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Mitch Chance  
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**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY  
STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) AND 1.27(c)) - SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN**

I hereby declare that I am

- ☐ the owner of the small business concern identified below:  
☒ an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

NAME OF CONCERN IGS, Inc., d/b/a Lifts Unlimited.

ADDRESS OF CONCERN 610-A E. Battlefield, PMB 205, Springfield, Missouri 65807

I hereby declare that the above-identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention, entitled HYDRAULIC VEHICLE LIFT, Inventor Mitch Chance is described in

- ☒ the specification filed herewith.  
☐ application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ Patent No. \_\_\_\_\_, issued \_\_\_\_\_.

If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights in the invention is listed below\* and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

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NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING Mitch Chance vice president

ADDRESS OF PERSON SIGNING 610-A E. Battlefield, PMB 205, Springfield, Missouri 65807

SIGNATURE [Signature]

DATE 2-3-00

**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**  
(Original, Design, National Stage of PCT  
or CIP Application)

**ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NO.**  
370778

As a below named inventor I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

HYDRAULIC VEHICLE LIFT

the specification of which: (complete (a), (b) or (c) for type of application)

**REGULAR OR DESIGN APPLICATION**

- (a) ☒ [ X ] is attached hereto.  
(b) ☐ [ ] was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

**PCT FILED APPLICATION ENTERING NATIONAL PHASE**

- (c) ☐ [ ] was described and claimed in International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if any).

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR**

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

☒ [ X ] In compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement. 37 CFR 1.97.

**PRIORITY CLAIM**

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

(complete (d) or (e))

- (d) ☒ [ X ] no such applications have been filed.  
(e) ☐ [ ] such applications have been filed as follows

**EARLIEST FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS PRIOR TO SAID APPLICATION**

Country	Application No.	Date of Filing	Date of Issue	Priority Claimed
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**CONTINUATION-IN-PART**

(Complete This Part Only if This is A Continuation-In-Part Application)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a), which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

Application Serial No.

Filing date

Status (patented, pending, abandoned)

**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: Joseph L. Johnson, Registration No. 39,718, Patrick C. Woolley, Registration No. 39,078, James M. Stipek, Registration No. 39,388, William A. Rudy, Registration No. 34,916 and Peter Knops, Registration No. 37,659

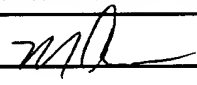
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**Full name of sole or first inventor: Mitch Chance**Inventor's Signature: 

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**Full name of fourth joint inventor, if any**

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1. Name of Conveying Party(ies)

Mitch Chance

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City: Springfield State: Missouri Zip: 65807

Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

3. Nature of Conveyance:

- ☒ Assignment ☐ Merger  
☐ Security Agreement ☐ Change of Name  
☐ Other

4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is \_\_\_\_\_

A. Patent Application No.(s)

B. Patent No.

Additional numbers attached? ☐ Yes ☐ No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed

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6. Total Number of applications and patents involved \_\_\_\_\_

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To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is true copy of the original document.

Joseph L. Johnson, Esq.  
Name of person signing

Signature

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